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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Foreign Intelligence

SUBJECT: Destruction of Files

25X1A6a 1. This will confirm our conversation of yesterday in which it was agreed that you would examine the extent to which we have supplied our field stations in sensitive areas with the new material for destroying files in the event of emergency. If you find that this material has not been sent to areas such as [REDACTED] and the Far East, I leave it to you to arrange on behalf of DD/P the details of expeditiously forwarding sufficient quantities so that our forward bases at least can be well supplied. If you feel that a Clandestine Services Instruction is needed to back this up, please draft one and we will have it issued after appropriate coordination. It is understood that you will explore this entire matter with the Director of Security to insure that our action in this matter is consistent with their views and any planning they may have done to date.

25X1A6a 2. In the event that you should find that there is not a sufficient quantity of the new material available for all our requirements, please set up a list of priorities so that it will be first shipped to places like [REDACTED] 25X1A6a [REDACTED] If there should be any appreciable delay, I would appreciate knowing it and the reasons therefor.

[REDACTED]
Chief of Operations, DD/P

cc: Director of Security
Chief of TSS

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